

THURSDAY EVENING, MARCH 2, 189

Notwithstanding the generous reactions to which the people of this country have been so long subjected in the way of customs, duties and internal revenue, the public debt still reaches the large amount of nearly nineteen hundred millions of dollars. If sixteen years of peace and plenty have only reduced it to this sum, but little relief from its burdens can be expected from the present generation.

There will be a very large shrinkage in the actual muster of military companies in Washington to-morrow, from the list published in Gen. Sherman's circular assigning them places in the line.

The Funding Bill.

A NEAT SWINDLE.—The Terre Haute, Ind. Gazette tells of a shrewd swindle perpetrated on a Parke county gudgeon named Charles Adams, while coming on a train from St. Louis to Terre Haute. He met a man who was quite talkative, and who learned from Adams that he had a brother who had gone to Kansas many years before. The stranger inquired of Adams his name and home, and then said: "Well now, that's queer. That is right singular, to be sure. Why, I have your brother's corpse with me in the express car on the train. He died a few days ago in Kansas, and I am taking his remains back to his old home in Parke county. He was a good merchant, and he left all his property to his brother. And if you are a man, you have dropped into a right tight thing. There in my pocket [opening his coat and taking out an envelope] are ten thousand dollars in United States bonds. And his fifteen thousand in goods." The man from Parke county was instantly pleased, and when they arrived at Terre Haute, his companion, who happened to be short, all the money he had. It was only \$18, but if it had been \$1800 it would have been all the same.

The A. M. & O. R. R.—Mr. Clark, one of the purchasers of the Atlantic, Mississippi & Ohio railroad, writes as follows to President Drexler of Kansas College, at Salem Va:—

"I am pleased to know that you approve of the purchase of the Atlantic, Mississippi and Ohio railroad by my friends and myself, and in the interest not only of the Shenandoah Valley railroad, but of, I trust, the whole of Virginia. We expect to infuse into the management energy and enterprise, intelligence and fair dealing, and anticipate favorable results in the near future. Of course we must serve the State the section through which it passes, and the various cities, or else we cannot hope for success. We have paid too much for the property to trifle with it, and must of necessity treat it and the country fairly."

Her family is permitted the marriage so preyed on her feelings of the girl that she has become insane. She has been in the hospital for a year and a half, a plot by which she imagines they seek to ruin her. Her delusion is that another woman has seduced her affianced, and at times she is quite violent toward him. She will not go to bed near sleep, and at times Ludwig has ceased to visit her since her affliction. She has been told that she is growing worse, and when she was brought before the jury, she was Jackson and questioned her answers without understanding and irrational, and she occasionally mutters something in her native tongue about the death of her father. She is very nervous, and is separated from her native tongue. The jury, however, is satisfied with the girl's condition, and she was committed to the Illinois Asylum for examination as to her mental disorder. As the girl is said to have enjoyed perfect health until recently it is believed that

DIED.

At Madison C. H., Va., February 28, 1888, after a lingering illness, Mrs. **MARY M. LEITCH**, relict of Dr. George H. Leitch, and daughter the late James M. Broadus.

On Tuesday, the last instant at her home in Fairfax county, near this city, of pneumonia Mrs. **MARGARET HUMPHREYS**, relict of the late Judge Humphreys. Her funeral will take place Saturday morning.

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 1172; 1181; April 1181; 1182; May 1181; 1110; June
 1181; 1182. Corn—Southern higher and firm;
 Western steady and firm; Southern white 64½;
 do yellow 56; Western mixed spot 56½; 56½;
 56½; 56½; April 54½; 54½; May 53½; 53½. Oats
 quiet and steady; Western white 42½; do mixed
 40½. Rye quiet at 102-105. Hay dull and
 unchanged. Coffee dull; Rio cargoes ordinary
 to fair 104½. Sugar dull; A soft ½. Whiskey
 dull at \$112